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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ELAB, USIRJC, IR

SUBJ: MERSON CONSULTATIVE MISSIONS TO IRAN

REF: STATE 035501

1. EMBASSY LABOR REPORTING OFFICER HAS MEETING SCHEDULED WITH DEPUTY MINISTER FOR MANPOWER, NASSERI, ON FEBRUARY 25. WE REGRET THAT DOL FINDS NASSERI'S THREE ALTERNATIVES ON FUNDING OF MERSON'S FUTURE CONSULTATIVE MISSIONS UNACCEPTABLE. FOR OUR PART, WE BELIEVE THAT WHILE REJECTING NASSERI'S PROPOSALS WE SHOULD BE PREPARED TO JUSTIFY OUR OWN POSITION BY (1) EXPLAINING MERSON'S STATUS AS A DOL CONSULTANT AND WHAT THIS ENTAILS IN TERMS OF US GOVERNMENT POLICY AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO LOAN OF HIS SERVICES AND (2) PROVIDING JUSTIFICATION FOR AND BREAKOUT OF SUPPORTING SERVICES COSTS, AT LEAST BY EXAMPLE.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT SUCH EXPLANATION IS BOTH PROPER AND NECESSARY, MOREOVER, NASSERI HAS SHOWN CONSIDERABLE FLEXIBILITY AND GOOD WILL IN PROMOTING US-IRANIAN MANPOWER COOPERATION AND WE WOULD NOT WISH TO ALIENATE HIM UNWITTINGLY BY SEEMING TO REJECT HIS PROPOSALS OUT OF HAND. FINALLY, IT IS OUR VIEW THAT OUR POSITION ON MERSON'S COMPENSATION SHOULD NOT BE PRESENTED IN SUCH A CATEGORICAL WAY AS TO LEAVE NO FURTHER ROOM FOR PAUSE AND FURTHER DISCUSSION OF TERMS.

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3. REQUEST ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE ON POINTS (1) AND (2) BY CLOSE  
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